

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Albion Ford Mercury Inc. Attn: General Manager 1411 N. Eaton Ave. Albion, MI 49224



Re: Request for Information Pursuant to Section 104(e) of CERCLA for the Albion-Sheridan Township Landfill Site in Albion, Michigan, hereinafter referred to as "the Site".

Dear Sir or Madam:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) is currently investigating the source, extent and nature of the release or threatened release of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants on or about the Albion-Sheridan Township Landfill in Albion, Michigan. This investigation requires inquiry into the generation, storage, treatment and disposal of such substances that have been or threaten to be released at the Site. U.S. EPA is also investigating the ability of persons connected with the Site to pay for or perform a clean-up of the Site.

Pursuant to the authority of Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9604(e), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, Pub. L. 99-499, you are hereby requested to respond to the Information Requests enclosed. Compliance with the enclosed Information Requests is mandatory. Failure to respond fully and truthfully to each and every Information Request within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, or to adequately justify such failure to respond, can result in enforcement action by U.S. EPA pursuant to Section 104(e)(5) of CERCLA which, as amended, authorizes the United States to seek penalties from a Federal court of up to twenty-five (\$25,000)thousand dollars for each day of continued "Non-compliance" is considered by U.S. EPA to be non-compliance. not only failure to respond to the Requests but also failure to respond completely and truthfully to each Request. Please be further advised that provision of false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations may subject you to criminal penalties of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or up to five (5) years of imprisonment or both under 18 U.S.C. 1001.

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The United States Environmental Protection Agency has the authority to use the information requested herein in an administrative, civil or criminal action. This Information Request is not subject to the approval requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, 44 U.S.C. § 3501, et seq.

You may, if you desire, assert a business confidentiality claim covering part or all of the information requested, in the manner described by 40 C.F.R. 2.203(b). Information covered by such a claim will be disclosed by U.S. EPA only to the extent, and only by means of the procedures, provided in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. If no such claim accompanies the information when it is received by U.S. EPA, it may be made available to the public by U.S. EPA without further notice to you. You should read carefully the above-cited regulations, together with the standards set forth in 104(e)(7) of CERCLA, before asserting a business confidentiality claim, since certain categories of information are not properly the subject of such a claim, as stated in Section 104(e)(7)(ii) of CERCLA.

This Information Request is directed to your company, its officers, directors and employees and its subsidiaries, divisions, facilities, and their officers, directors and employees. The relevant time period for this Request is 1966 to 1981.

To ensure proper handling, your response to this Information Request should only be mailed to:

Paul J. Rogers
Superfund Program Management Branch, HSM-5J
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604

If you have any questions concerning this request, please direct such questions to Paul J. Rogers at (312) 353-8069.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas Mateer, Acting Chief

Superfund Program Management Branch

Enclosure

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Read all questions and the affidavit before completing the form.
- 2. You must respond to all questions on the enclosed form.
- 3. For questions containing a YES/NO option, circle the appropriate response. Circle one response only.
- 4. If you require additional space for your response, attach additional sheets to this form. At the top of each sheet state your name and clearly indicate the number of the question to which you are responding.
- 5. Sign your name under oath at the end of the enclosed form.

DEFINITIONS

- 1. "The Site" shall mean and include the property on or about the Albion-Sheridan Township Landfill in Albion, Michigan. The Albion-Sheridan Township Landfill is located approximately one mile east of Albion, Michigan between Michigan Avenue (also known as U.S. Highway 99 or old U.S. Highway 12) and East Erie Road. The area is also defined as Lot 27 and Lot 28 of the Supervisor's Plat.
- 2. The term "business" means any corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, group, association, joint-venture, affiliation, subsidiary, agency or unit of government.
- 3. The term "affiliated" means any manner of ownership interest, franchise arrangement or partnership association and/or relationship including but not limited to: subsidiary, franchise, cooperative, partnership, trust, etc.
- 4. The term "supporting documents" means any and all records or documents which provide information to support your response. These include, but are not limited to, receipts, manifests, shipping documents, canceled checks, accounts payable/receivable records, accounting ledgers, weight tickets, etc.